

REMARKS

The Office Action of March 19, 2004 has been carefully considered.

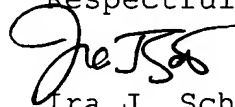
Claims 1, 2 and 11 have been rejected under 35 USC 102(b) over Karaknen. Claims 3-10 have been found to be allowable over the art.

All claims in the application have been canceled and replaced by a new set of claims 12-19, written in better form for US practice. Claim 12, the sole new independent claim, incorporates the subject matter of allowable claim 3. The remaining claims depend from claim 12, and incorporate the subject matter of original claims 4-10.

Withdrawal of the rejection of record is requested.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant submits that the present application is now in condition for allowance. An early allowance of the application with amended claims is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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